Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

October, 2010 Montana

Caseload

- 6,318 children were served this month in this program
- 3,875 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 7.9% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 23.5% of all families served

Children

- 83.6% of children were served in licensed care
- 11.9% of children were cared for by relatives
- · Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 124 hours per month
- · School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 26.1% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 79.2% of all children served

Families

- 75.4% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.8% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 84.0% of families were headed by a single parent
- 16.3% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$457 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 7.9% of the cost and the program paid 92.1%
- · Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$490
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$315
- 82.0% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Judith Basin County at \$590 per child
- Liberty County ranks first in relative care statewide with 100.0% of all children cared for by relatives.
- The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was McCone County, where 33.3% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF